GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1501
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2001
POSTING OF IAS OFFICERS
BHIM PRASAD DAHAL

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of I.A.S. officers posted in Sikkim since 1975, till date;

(b) the duration for which each officer remained posted there and period for which they remained posted outside the State i.e. in Delhi and other States on deputation;

(c) whether the Union Government are aware of the administrative difficulty being faced by State Government due to the deputation system; and

(d) if so, the reasons for creating problem to the State Administration by allowing these officers to remain on deputation for longer periods?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, MINISTER STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS WE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE II DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE. (SMT.VASUNDHARA RAJE

(a): The Sikkim Cadre of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) was constituted with effect from 16-6-1976, with a total authorised strength of 41. As per the Rules, the strength of the Cadre has been reviewed from time to time. The present strength of the Cadre, as notified on 19-5-1999, stands at 50. Against this strength, 40 officers were in position as on 1-1-2001.

(b),(c)&(d): The Cadre Rules pertaining to the Indian Administrative Service provide that IAS officers borne on the Cadre of any State can, with the concurrence of the State Governments concerned and the Central Government, be deputed to the Central Government or to another State Government. The authorised strength of each Cadre of the IAS includes a provision for Central Deputation Reserve which is over and above the State`s requirement of officers. In the case of the Sikkim Cadre of the IAS, as against a Central deputation reserve of 11, there are presently only 7 officers on deputation to the Central Government, while 1 officer is on deputation to another State Government. Therefore, it cannot be said that these deputations would create administrative difficulties for the State Government, since the number of deputations is well within the authorised deputation reserve.